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1. New railroad construction was observed at two separate areas in South China (Figure 1) on photography [REDACTED]

2. On the [REDACTED] photography, 55 nautical miles (nm) of rail line construction was observed running from Chih-chiang at 30-17-00N 111-31-00E south to 29-37-00N 111-27-00E where it turned west and terminated at 29-35-00N 111-17-00E (Figure 2). This westward turn leads directly into the Wu-shan Mountains. The previously projected rail line from Chih-chiang to Lou-ti would have gone across relatively flat terrain.*

3. The [REDACTED] photography revealed 46 nm of new rail line construction extending from Liu-chou at 24-25-00N 109-11-00E north to at least 25-21-00N 109-25-00E (Figure 3). Heavy clouds precluded further interpretation. This new line may possibly join the rail line currently under construction between Kuei-ting (26-34-00N 107-14-00E) and Chih-chiang (27-27-00N 109-41-00E).

*CIA. [REDACTED] Communist China: Expansion of the Railroad Network [REDACTED] Feb 71 (TOP SECRET)

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FIGURE 1. LOCATION MAP

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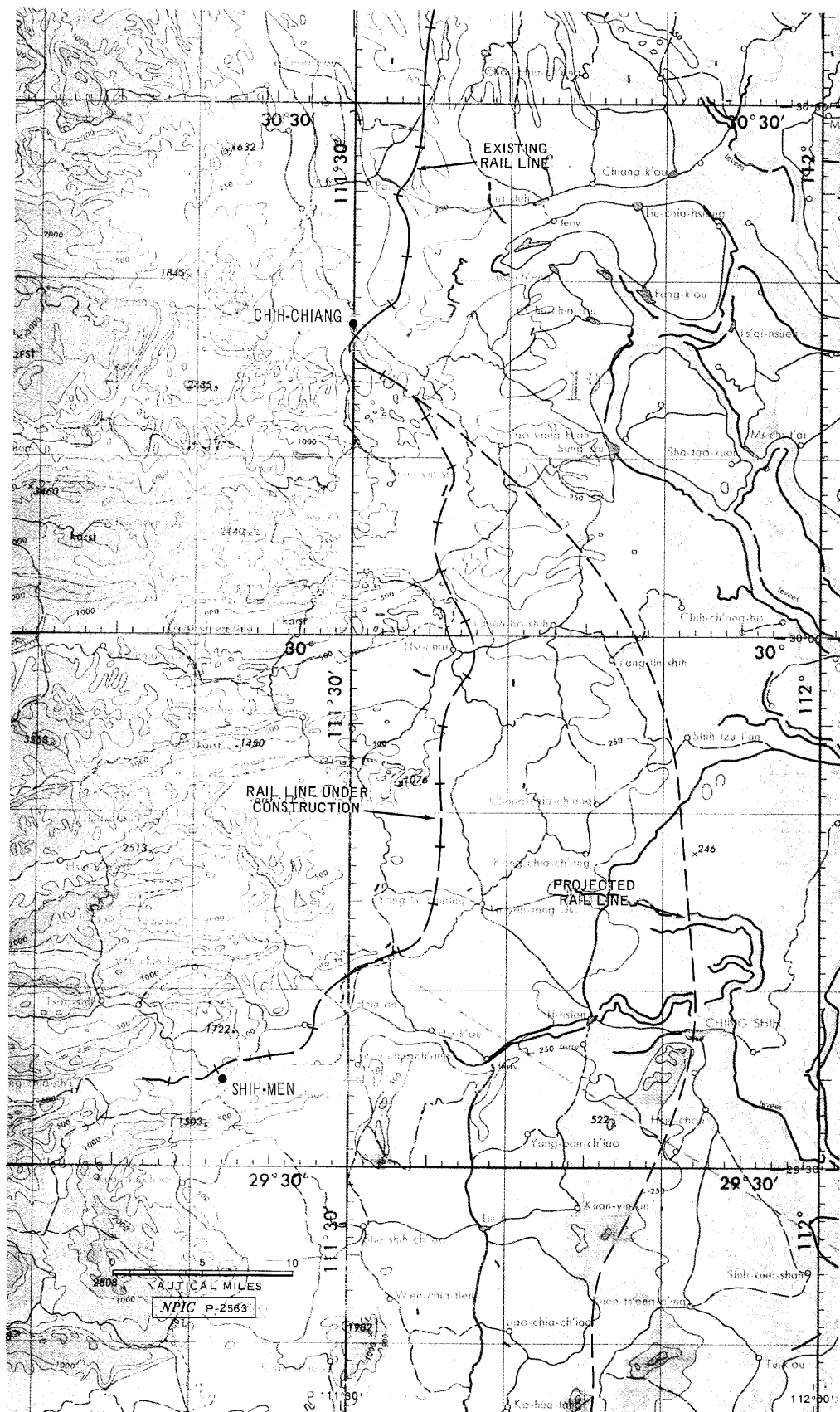


FIGURE 2. RAIL LINE CONSTRUCTION, CHIH-CHIANG AREA, CHINA

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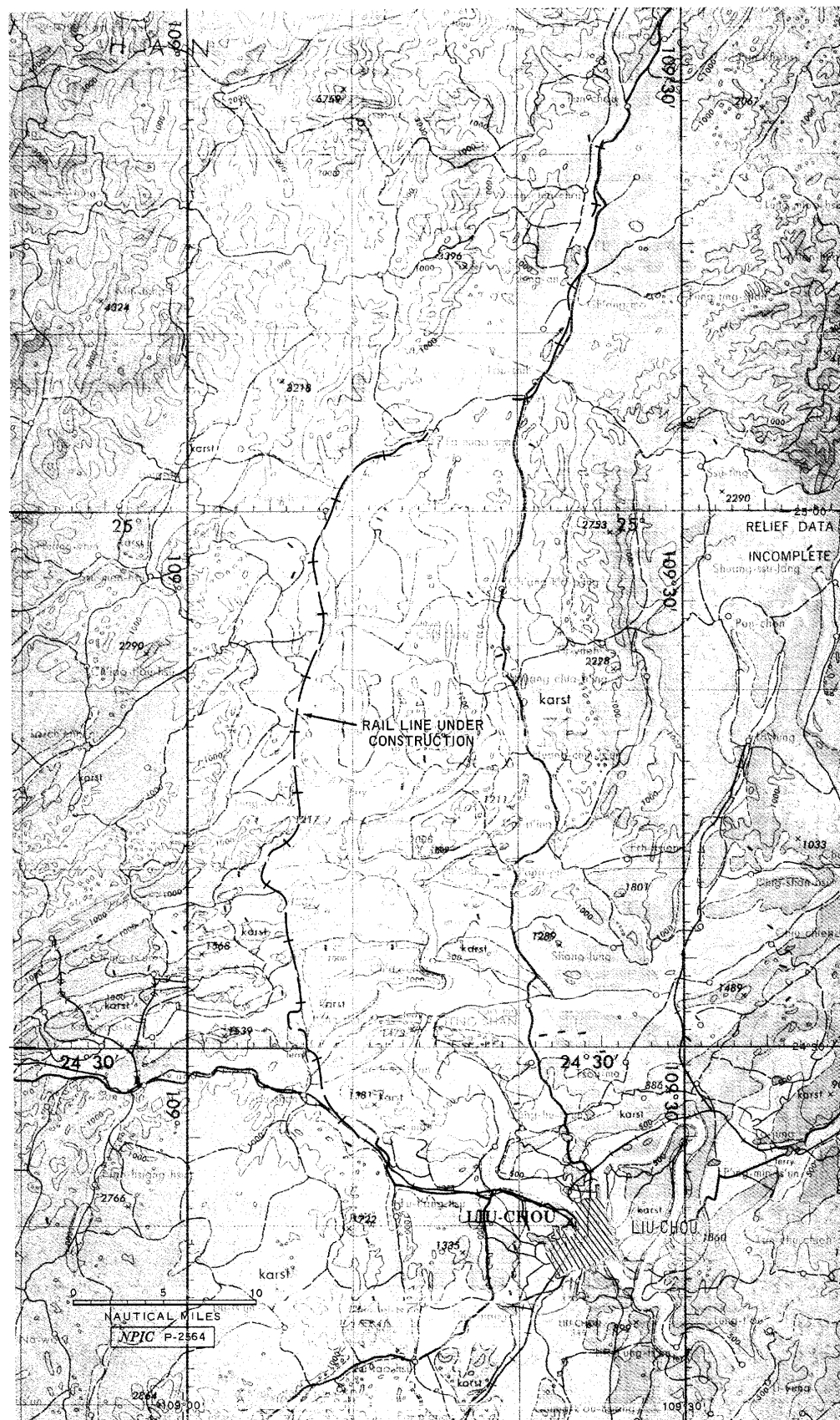


FIGURE 3. RAIL LINE CONSTRUCTION, LIU-CHOU, CHINA

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